IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Assignee: TippingPoint Technologies, Inc.

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COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. BOX 1450 ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition for a two (2) month extension of time within which to respond to the Office Action mailed March 3, 2006, such extension allowing the undersigned until August 3, 2006, to respond.

The Commissioner is authorized to deduct any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 502264.

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Respectfully submitted,

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